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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

JANNARD ET AL.

Examiner

Hung X. Dang

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 May 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-35 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 1-13 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 14-35 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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1. The amendment filed on 6/5/05 has been considered.

Claims Rejection Under 35 USC - 103

2. (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 14-17 and 20-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Rickards** (6,012,812) in view of **McManigal** (5,327,178).

Rickards discloses industrial safety assembly comprises a support for supporting at least one lens in the path of a wearer's field of view' a first ear stem 21 attached to the support, for extending in a posterior direction along a first side of the wearer's head; a second ear stem 22 attached to the support, for extending in a posterior direction along a second side of the wearer's head; and at least one microphone 70 supported by at least one of the support, first ear stem 21, and second ear stem 22, the microphone 70 being arranged to face towards the head of a wearer of the eyeglass frame.

Rickards does not teach that the first and second mounting mechanisms are configured to allow the first and second speakers, respectively, to pivot about first and second predetermined pivot axes that are parallel to the first and second linear path.

McMangal however, discloses the first and second mounting mechanisms are configured to allow the first and second speakers, respectively, to pivot about first and

second predetermined pivot axes that are parallel to the first and second linear path (see figures 4, 5, 9, 11a and 11b.)

Because Rickards and McMangal are both from the same field of endeavor, the purpose of selecting the positions of the speakers to suit the individual needs and comfort of the wearer as disclosed by McMangal would have been recognized as an art pertinent art of Rickards.

It would have been obvious, therefore, at the time the invention was made to a person having skill in the art to construct the eyeglasses device, such as the one disclosed by Rickards, with the first and second mounting mechanisms are configured to allow the first and second speakers, respectively, to pivot about first and second predetermined pivot axes that are parallel to the first and second linear path, such as disclosed by McMangal for the purpose of selecting the positions of the speakers to suit the individual needs and comfort of the wearer.

Claims Rejection Under 35 USC - 103

3. Claims 18 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Rickards** (6,012,812) and **McManigal** (5,327,178) as applied to claims 14-17 and 20-35 above, and further in view of **Vaudrey et al** (6,311,155).

Rickards and McManigal disclose the claimed invention as stated above with the exception of an MP3 storage device.

However, Vaudrey et al discloses a personal listening device (PLD) attached to the eyeglasses (see column 8, lines 40-46) wherein the personal listening device (PLD) is a MP3 playback devices (see column 23, lines 1-21.)

Because Rickards, McManigal and Vaudrey et al are all from the same field of endeavor, the purpose of storage the music as disclosed by Vaudrey et al would have been recognized as an art pertinent art of Rickards and McManigal.

It would have been obvious, therefore, at the time the invention was made to a person having skill in the art to construct the eyeglasses frame, such as the one disclosed by Rickards and McManigal, with MP3 playback device, such as disclosed by Vaudrey et al for the purpose of storing and listening the music.

4. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 14-35 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the

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shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Dang at telephone number (571) 272-2326.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hung Dang', with a stylized flourish at the end.

HUNG DANG

PRIMARY EXAMINER

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